





Department of Toxic Substances Control



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December 16, 2005

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REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN APPROVAL, FORMER CHASE CHEMICAL/HOLCHEM SITE, 13540 and 13546 DESMOND STREET, PACOIMA, CALIFORNIA

Dear Mr. Zimbardo:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) reviewed the Remedial Action Plan (RAP), prepared pursuant to a Consent Decree issued on November 4, 1999. The RAP was prepared by ARCADIS Geraghty & Miller, Inc., dated April 20, 2005 and revised December 6, 2005, for the Former Chase Chemical/Holchem site (Site). The RAP presents the proposed remedial alternative for the Site based on an evaluation of remedial alternatives under Section 25356.1 of the California Health and Safety Code.

The public comment period for the RAP began on April 20, 2005 and ended July 20, 2005. A public meeting was held on May 4, 2005. A significant amount of comments were received during the extended public comment period. DTSC considered the comments and determined revision of the RAP was necessary. Attached is a Response to Comments addressing the comments received. This letter, the Final RAP, and the Response to Comments should be made available to the public in the repositories.

The RAP is hereby approved. DTSC understands that, following approval of a new or amended Consent Decree by the United States District Court, the Remedial Design phase will begin. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Gabriel Farkas, Project Manager at (818) 551-2865 or me at (818) 551-2822.

Sincerely,

Bayareh Amir, Chief

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Enclosure

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